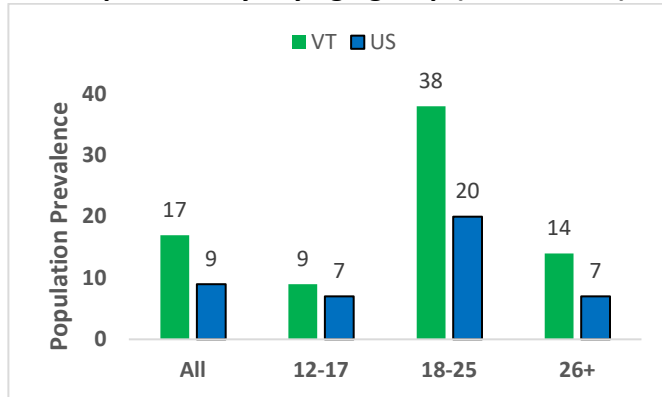


Prevalence of Use

Compared to other states, Vermont¹ has:

- The **highest** prevalence of past 30 day marijuana use among 18–25 year olds. Past 30 day prevalence rates have significantly **increased** since 2002.¹
- The second **highest** prevalence of past 30 day marijuana use among 12–17 year olds.¹
- Among the **highest** prevalence of past 30 day marijuana use across all ages.¹

Percent of population that has used marijuana in the past 30 days by age group (2015/2016¹)



Prevalence During Pregnancy

Data from the 2015 Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System show that:

- 22% of pregnant women report smoking marijuana or hash during the 12 months before pregnancy.⁵
- 11% of pregnant women report smoking marijuana or hash during their most recent pregnancy – almost double the 2014 results (6%).⁵
- 6% of pregnant women report smoking marijuana or hash since their new baby was born.⁵

Perception of Harm

Only 27% of high school students thought people their age greatly risked harming themselves, physically or in other ways, if they smoked marijuana regularly.² This is concerning because:

- 20% of high school students report riding with someone using marijuana in the past month.²
- 14% of high school students report driving when using marijuana in the past month.²
- These rates are **higher** than driving after drinking alcohol or riding in a car with a drinking driver.²

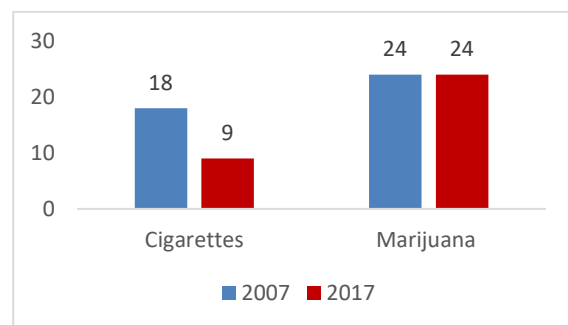
Among the 15% of adults who reported past - month marijuana use, 31% said they recently drove after use.⁴ As of 10/1/18, there have been 9 motor vehicle fatalities in Vermont attributable to marijuana use (3 attributable to alcohol only).⁶

Treatment

In state fiscal year 2015, over 1,200 Vermonters were treated for marijuana use disorders³:

- Of those treated, 60% were under the age of 25.³
- 67% of adolescents (12-17 year olds) in substance abuse treatment are there for a marijuana use disorder.³

Among high school students, more students now report using marijuana than smoking cigarettes within the past month.²



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